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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicants** 

: Lars Björck and Ulf Sjöbring

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PROTEIN L AND HYBRID PROTEINS THEREOF

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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 6, 1999, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on October 6, 1999. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims:

## Please amend claim 14 to read:

14. A protein having the ability to bind to the light chains of

immunoglobulins, [comprising] selected from the group consisting of:

(a) <u>a protein comprising</u> the amino acid sequence of [Sequence I.D.

No.] SEQ ID NO: 1